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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (HASSAN, CROWN PRINCE), PEPR
SUBJECT: U.S. VISIT

1. CROWN PRINCE HASSAN WHOM I SAW APRIL 8 ASKED ME TO GET
IN TOUCH WITH YOU ON HIS BEHALF. HE TOLD ME HE IS
PLANNING TO VISIT THE U.S. FROM JULY 3-8 AS A GUEST OF
THE ASPEN INSTITUTE. BEFORE JULY 3 HE WOULD LIKE TO
COME TO WASHINGTON.

2. HE RECALLED THAT LAST TIME YOU SPOKE WITH HIM
(JANUARY IN THE U.S., I BELIEVE), YOU MENTIONED THAT
GIVEN ENOUGH LEAD TIME, ON THE NEXT VISIT HE MADE TO THE
U.S. YOU WOULD ARRANGE A CALL FOR HIM ON THE PRESIDENT.
HE ASKED, "IS THIS ENOUGH LEAD TIME?" HE HAS IN MIND
COMING TO WASHINGTON BEFORE HE GOES TO ASPEN ON
MONDAY, JULY 3. I PRESUME THAT FRIDAY, JUNE 30 OR
SATURDAY, JULY 1 ARE THE DATES MOST APPROPRIATE.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: A RESPONSE FOR CROWN PRINCE
HASSAN ON HIS REQUEST TO THE SECRETARY FOR AN APPOINTMENT
WITH PRESIDENT CARTER. I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT A SHORT
APPOINTMENT WITH THE PRESIDENT BE ARRANGED. THE KING

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MAY DECIDE HE WISHES TO COME SOMETIME BETWEEN NOW
AND JULY AND I AM NOT CERTAIN HASSAN'S INQUIRY HAS
BEEN CLEARED DIRECTLY WITH THE KING. HOWEVER, THE KING
IS GENERALLY AGREEABLE TO SUCH MEETINGS FOR HASSAN AND I
WOULD EXPECT TO INFORM HIM FIRST IF AN APPOINTMENT IS
ARRANGED FOR HIS BROTHER IN ANY EVENT.
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